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Interview Summary

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Applicant(s)
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Examiner
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All participants (applicant, applicant's representative, PTO personnel):

(1) Tadesse Hailu (3) _____
(2) Mark Bergner (Applicant's Rep.) (4) _____

Date of Interview Aug 27, 2002

Type: a) ☒ Telephonic b) ☐ Video Conference
c) ☐ Personal (copy is given to 1) ☐ applicant 2) ☐ applicant's representative]

Exhibit shown or demonstration conducted: d) ☐ Yes e) ☒ No. If yes, brief description:

Claim(s) discussed: 1 and 7

Identification of prior art discussed:
Pirolli et al (5,895,470)

Agreement with respect to the claims f) ☐ was reached. g) ☒ was not reached. h) ☐ N/A.

Substance of Interview including description of the general nature of what was agreed to if an agreement was reached, or any other comments:

Regarding to claim 1 rejection, Applicant discusses that the display aspect of the symbols is not addressed in Pirolli. In contrast, the Examiner still believes that the displaying aspect of the symbols or nodes are described in the ('470) patent. Regarding claim 7 objection, the Applicant discusses that the inverse relationship (1/x) is disclosed in page 6. In contrast, the Examiner believes that there is no teaching regarding claim 7 in the present disclosure.

(A fuller description, if necessary, and a copy of the amendments which the examiner agreed would render the claims allowable, if available, must be attached. Also, where no copy of the amendments that would render the claims allowable is available, a summary thereof must be attached.)

i) ☒ It is not necessary for applicant to provide a separate record of the substance of the interview (if box is checked).

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